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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

PRESIDENT AND THE NEWSPAPERS.

That the President of the United States should find it necessary to warn the people of the country against the lying misrepresentations of their newspapers, is a sad commentary upon the state to which American journalism has fallen. Evidently the pleasant flippancy of speech that "you can't believe anything you see in the newspapers" has become a tragic fact. Since the beginning of the European war there have been more evil influences at work than at any time before in our history, manufacturing public sentiment through the press and moving pictures, in order to promote commercial propositions or influence the foreign policy of the United States government. Perhaps those who are directing the affairs of the United States Army in the punitive expedition into Mexico do not know just what conditions our military forces will be obliged to face. In any event the administration feels that it has a sufficient force and enough intelligence to handle the situation. It would be a miserable commentary upon the worth of our government if this were not true. Sensational newspapers have been trying very hard to frighten the American public into the belief that some terrible things are in store as a result of our troubles with Villa. Practically every large newspaper is represented in Washington, and the sentiment among the men who actually do the clean journalism from the Capital, enthusiastically sustains the position of the President. They regard his recent statement as a defense of the truth in print.

EMERGIES FROM THE PIGEON-HOLE.

A rather extraordinary condition with reference to the Stevens bill has come to light. This bill is directed against the mail order houses and the cut-throat price cutters of the large city department stores, who have been waxing fat and rich at the expense of country merchants and the small community. More than one-half of the members of the House of Representatives have pledged themselves to support the Stevens bill. Notwithstanding that an insistent demand is being made in its favor by those who believe in reputable merchandising, a standard Southern Congressman, who by virtue of the accident of seniority of service has become Chairman of the committee having this bill in charge, had the remarkable authority to prevent hearings upon the bill. It is not at all important that this Congressman is opposed to the legislation, but as an illustration of the failures of democracy this instance is of interest, since a single member successfully prevented a majority of the House members from considering the measure. It is said that the President became apprehensive, but there might be an explosion on the floor of the House, and quietly though very effectively, yielded a big stick. In consequence the Stevens' bill, which provides that manufacturers of nationally advertised goods may establish retail prices, is to be considered in the committee; and the legislation will be brought before Congress. It may reasonably be expected that protection will be provided against the pirates of reputable merchandising, and that forceful effects of federal legislation will interfere with the gentle art of giving the American purchasers a good deal less than the consumers figure they are paying for.

SENATOR TAGGART COMES TO TOWN.

One of the names that has stood for mechanical operation of politics has been that of Mr. Thomas Taggart, now United States Senator of Indiana, by virtue of an appointment made by the Governor of his own creating. Taggart will be given a fair show in the upper house of Congress, but there are lots of people who are speculating as to the reasons why so many of the men who are described in political life even so recently as the last Presidential election, are now coming into active charge of the legislative machinery at Washington, namely, Taggart, Cannon, Longworth, Hill and a bunch of others among the list.

STAMPING UNCLE SAM.

That Americans are capable of keeping cool heads has been effectively demonstrated.

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GRANGE NEWS

CANTON GRANGE.

Considering the bad traveling a goodly number gathered at the meeting of Canton Grange, Saturday. A business session was held in the forenoon. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on a class of four in the afternoon, after which an instructive talk on "Corn Products," was given by Mrs. May R. Robinson of Peru, lecturer of New Century Pomona. Mrs. Robinson had on exhibition about a dozen bottles of these products and as she has made it a study her talk was both interesting and educational. A rising vote of thanks was extended Mrs. Robinson for her lecture. H. M. Tucker gave a good talk on "How and when to spray fruit trees for codling moth." Mrs. C. L. Hutchinson, Mrs. S. T. Hayden and Mrs. A. H. Adams talked on how to manage at housecleaning time. Meeting closed with music by the choir.

MT. SUGAR LOAF GRANGE.

At the close of the regular meeting of Mount Sugar Loaf Grange held at Grange Hall, Friday evening, the members and visitors were very interestingly entertained by G. A. Yeaton, (Farm Demonstrator of Oxford County). Mr. Yeaton gave an illustrated lecture on "Orcharding," giving special mention to the various branches of the work, from selecting a desirable site for the trees which should be sheltered from the strong winds, cultivating the ground, pruning, spraying, picking and packing the fruit, when suitable. The many views that were shown throughout the lecture were of much interest. This was followed by an interesting talk given by Mrs. May Robinson, of Peru, lecturer of the New Century Pomona Grange, on "Corn and its Various Products." Mrs. Robinson had ten samples of valuable and indispensable articles, produced from grains of corn, which were on exhibition, namely: corn gluten feed, corn oil cake, corn oil, corn starch (lump and crystal), corn oil syrup, dextrin, corn sugar (lump and granulated). The lectures were of much interest and profit to all.

NORWAY GRANGE.

The meeting of Norway Grange held on April 8 was called to order by Worshipful Master Richardson at 10.30. With all officers present except Overseer, which chair was filled by Brother Clarence Buck. A short time was devoted to routine work and then came balloting on candidates. Three applications were received. The first and second degrees were then conferred on twenty-two candidates. At the opening of the grange quite a delegation of visitors had arrived from Franklin and Paris Granges and more came in later by team and trolley, as there were two hundred and ten members of Norway Grange, these coupled with the very welcome visitors made a jolly good-natured crowd. A bountiful dinner was enjoyed and social greetings exchanged. The meeting was again called to order, and after a welcome song by a chorus, followed by an address of welcome by Sister Annie Goodwin and remarks by visiting patrons the time was given over to Captains Goodwin and Young, who presented one of their interesting programs. There was instrumental and vocal music, (songs with original words), tableaux, dialogues, character songs, illustrated hymns, original farm scene, original papers and as a visitor remarked as a whole the work ranked high and showed much energy and forethought, affording an extremely interesting and enjoyable entertainment. The next meeting will be held on April 22, to open at 10 A. M. The third and fourth degrees to be worked in the forenoon. Dinner committee, T. U. V. A. H. and C. Last call for the contest; remember that dues and attendance count.

WEST PARIS GRANGE.

The last of the series of all day meetings of West Paris Grange was held April 8. The business meeting was held in the forenoon, all officers except keeper being present. Plans and suggestions for the exhibit at the fair were discussed by the members. After the meeting was closed, a bountiful dinner of clam and fish chowder which was furnished by Burdham, Morrill Co., was served to over 150 persons. In the afternoon, the program of the day was given, which consisted of piano trios by Mrs. Mary Stetson, Madeline Peabody and Doris Field; reading, Earl Hollis, R. P. Mitchell, State Leader of the Boys' Corn Clubs, explained about the different agricultural clubs for boys among the list.

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WINTER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

C. B. Foster Writes of Visits with Former Bethel Boys.

My wife, myself and our niece left Boston, Saturday, Nov. 6, 1915, at 1 P. M. via the Boston & Maine R. R. We passed through the Hoosac Tunnel at 5 P. M. and woke up Sunday morning in the Dominion of Canada on the Wabash R. R. While at breakfast we were ferried across to Detroit, Mich. We reached Chicago at 4.55 P. M. on time, and left there at 10 P. M. via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R. Arrived at Omaha, Monday, 3.25 P. M. on time; left there at 4.20 P. M. via the Union Pacific. Arrived at Denver, Tuesday, 7 A. M.; left Denver at 8.15 A. M.; reached the Royal Gorge about 2 P. M., a most wonderful sight—the cliffs rise to the height of twenty-five hundred feet in places. This is on the line of the Denver & Rio Grande R. R. rightly called the "scenic line." We had this line to Salt Lake, where we arrived Wednesday at 12 noon, in a blinding snow storm. We left there at 1 P. M. via Salt Lake R. R. and reached Riverside, California, Thursday, at 12.30 P. M. on time.

Riverside is a city of 18,000 and is called the "city beautiful." It certainly is a most beautiful place with its fine public buildings and splendid church buildings and the celebrated Mission Inn which I am unable to describe—it has to be seen to be appreciated. Here is one of the four original naval orange trees still in healthy condition and bearing fruit. You can look at it but not touch it as an iron fence prevents. Riverside is the county seat of Riverside County. It is well surrounded by orange and lemon groves.

Eighteen miles east of Riverside is Redlands, to my mind one of the nicest little cities I have yet seen in California, population of 12,000, finely located and, like all California cities, fine public buildings, beautiful parks. The Shirley Heights just outside the city is an artificial forest covering a high elevation from which one may obtain fine views of the city and surrounding country. This seems to be a great orange section. Here Daniel B. Grover, one of Bethel's sons located and extensively raised oranges. He certainly used the same good judgment in selecting an orange grove and home here that he used in all his business during his life in Bethel.

I now come to Corona, fifteen miles west of Riverside, where we located for the winter, a nice little city of 5,000. The chief interests here, like all Southern California cities, is fruit. There are more lemons shipped from here than any other station in the United States, if not in the world. The buildings here are of the same high order as prevailed in other cities. It is called the Circle City by reason of a sixty foot wide cement circular boulevard three miles in length, costing \$50,000 encircling part of the city. This city, like all others has several packing houses. I would like to say here that all the fruit is picked from the trees by people who wear gloves; it is taken to the packing houses and washed and packed by people who also wear gloves. It is certainly all handled in the most sanitary manner.

The people of California are social and entertaining. We have made many friends in Corona whom we dislike to leave.

Now to Los Angeles. This city of five hundred fifty thousand with its beautiful suburbs and its vast wealth is beyond me to describe. Altogether a large book could be written on this city alone. While there we visited an old neighbor and friend, one of Bethel's sons, Mr. H. A. Edwards. While at his beautiful home he and his good wife did all in their power to entertain us and certainly succeeded beyond all our expectations. They drove us hundreds of miles in their high-powered auto and enabled us to take in sights we would otherwise have been unable to have seen. We certainly owe them a debt we can never repay. Mr. Edwards is a brother of Mr. F. L. Edwards of Bethel, the friendship of whom with his wife we have enjoyed so long.

We are about leaving here for the Fair at San Diego. From there we begin our journey homeward. The first stop is to be at San Francisco for a week, then Portland, Oregon, for another week, then stops at Seattle and Vancouver where we take the Canadian Pacific R. R. over the Canadian Rockies to Montreal. We expect to stop at

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Declamations are due this week.

Jennie Bean went home Thursday night last week.

Gladys Spearin and Marjorie Allen were absent Monday.

James Hayford was among those who went home for over Sunday.

Grace Dearden has returned after a week's absence on account of illness.

Florence Chapman was the guest of Ruth Elliott at her home in Watford last week end.

The food sale which the Y. W. C. A. girls held in G. L. Thurston's store, Monday night, was most successful. Everything sold, adding \$5.21 to the treasury.

Our first baseball game is scheduled for April 19, when we play West Paris on their field. We are sorry that prospects are not more favorable to practice for we should like to bring back a large score for our side. We intend to do our best however in trying out the mettle of our new team.

G. A. ALUMNI.

All alumni of Gould's Academy are requested to meet at the Academy next Friday afternoon at 3.30. Important matters are to come up and plans must be laid for the reunion next June.

FRANCES WILLARD MEMORIAL MEETING.

There will be a union service at the Congregational Church, Sunday evening at 7.30, under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. An interesting program has been arranged, consisting of short addresses, special music, both solos and choruses, recitations and readings. All are most cordially invited. Free will offering will be received.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TEA.

There was a happy gathering of young people of varying ages at Garland Chapel, Wednesday afternoon. The Christian Endeavor society gave a tea to its members and friends from three-thirty to five-thirty.

There were nearly half a hundred present, among whom were two of our college boys, Harold Rich and Carroll Valentine.

There was much sociability, delicious refreshments and a few games and a general good time.

GREEN MOUNTAIN SEED POTATOES.

Start with pure, healthy stock this year.

I have several hundred bushels of potatoes that I shall sell as "Certified Seed." These potatoes were inspected twice during the growing season and again in the cellar by the state seed improvement association and pronounced practically free from all plant diseases. I also have a quantity that were not inspected. I have practiced selecting my seed from the most productive hills for fifteen years and have a very productive strain of this popular variety. There is not a single potato of any other variety in the lot.

Prices from 60c to \$2.00 per bu. Terms, cash. H. F. MAXIM, Locke's Mills, Maine.

EGGS.

Decorated Strain Barred Plymouth Rocks. Eggs \$1.00 per setting of 15. F. B. MERRILL, Bethel, Maine.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.

Regal Strain White Wyandotte Eggs \$1.00 per setting of 15. Three lat and 2nd prizes at Norway Poultry Show. Good layers, tests show good fertility. ELMON JORDAN, Bethel, Maine.

Hand, Calgary and other places of interest en route. After spending a while in Montreal we will proceed to our home in Everett, Mass., via Boston & Maine R. R. and in June if all goes well and gasoline does not get one dollar a gallon we hope to take a trip to Bethel and my old home on Sunday River near Artist's Bridge, to stay until the leaves fall in autumn.

C. B. Foster.

TO ADVERTISE MAINE ON POST CARD DAY

Gov. Curtis Appoints Wednesday, April 19, for Greetings by Mail to Your Friends

Governor Oakley C. Curtis has issued a proclamation setting aside Wednesday, April 19, 1916, to be known as Post Card day, on which every loyal citizen will be supposed to send to some out-of-the-State person or persons from one to a million post cards in the line of advertising the attractions of the Pine Tree State as a summer as well as a winter home. To enumerate all her beauties and attractions will take millions of post cards but they are all ready and Uncle Sam will see that they are safely delivered. The proclamation:

PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR.

Whereas, our State, long famous as the Nation's Playground, is more inviting than ever to summer visitors, automobilists and tourists, and because of the fine work already accomplished in the construction and improvement of our public highways, and Whereas, it is a patriotic duty to proclaim Maine's charms and make known to the Nation that her people are ready and eager to extend the hospitality which has even been a characteristic of the Pine Tree State, and Whereas, Maine's many beauties, rich natural resources, the manifold delights of her seacoast, her inland lakes, her marvelous wooded waterways for canoe trips, and the health giving retreats in the north woods should be known to even greater numbers than those what already come within her borders, and

Whereas, Post Card Day offers an opportunity for extending the knowledge of Maine's unsurpassed attractions and wonderful advantages of scenic beauty from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast in which each and every citizen and resident, man, woman and child, may have a part, therefore,

I, Oakley C. Curtis, as Governor of this State, do hereby designate and set apart Wednesday, April 19, as Post Card Day, and I do respectfully request and urge that on that day all residents of Maine send picture post card greetings to their friends and acquaintances outside of the State, bearing appropriate messages such as: "Come to Maine," "Auto to Maine this Summer," "Spend your vacation and holidays in Maine," thereby enlisting in the Advertise Maine movement which is most worthy in its purpose of making Maine known to the world.

OAKLEY C. CURTIS, Governor. Executive Chamber, State Capitol, Augusta, April 6, 1916.

TO ORGANIZE AGRICULTURAL CLUBS.

There will be a meeting at the Locke's Mills schoolhouse next Saturday morning at 9 o'clock and at the Bethel Grammar schoolhouse on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 to organize agricultural clubs for the boys and girls. Everyone interested in forming corn clubs, canning clubs or poultry clubs are urged to attend and it is especially desired that parents be present. Local prizes will be offered besides those to be given by the State Clubs and it will be an excellent chance to get some practical information. Be sure to attend.

FARM FOR SALE.

200 acre farm, 50 in cultivation. House, ell, two barns, stock, farming tools, good timberland, 2 1/2 miles from railroad. THOMAS KENNAOH, Bethel, Maine.

FOR SALE.

EGGS FOR HATCHING—Barred Rock eggs from strong, vigorous stock, bred under farm conditions. Thrifty, vigorous and good producers. Price, \$1.00 for 15 eggs. MRS. A. B. RICHARDSON, Bethel, Maine.

RAGS WANTED.

Will pay 3 cents per pound for clean rags suitable for wiping presses. CITIZEN OFFICE.

SUBSCRIBE NOW FOR THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines, 1 week, 25c. 3 weeks 50c.

DEY CLEANING AND PRESSING.

Promptly and satisfactorily done. WET WASH AND ROUGH DRY on Mondays and Tuesdays.

FANCY IRONING.

Your laundry work is solicited.

DOMESTIC HAND LAUNDRY.

RALPH H. YOUNG, Prop., 4-13-16. Bethel, Maine.

NOTICE.

I wish to announce to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I am prepared to do all kinds of plumbing and repair work at a reasonable price, also sheet metal work. All work carefully and promptly attended to.

ALBERT BURKE, Bethel, Maine.

Telephones—Shop, 10—12; Res., 20—7.

FARM MACHINERY.

I have on hand a large stock of farming implements and machines which I shall sell at last year's prices. Don't buy until you see me.

C. L. DAVIS, Bethel, Maine.

NOTICE.

Party moving out of town owes balance of \$124.50 on a \$400 upright Grand piano. It is yours for the balance.

THE GIBBS PIANO COMPANY, 71-73 Main St., Springfield, Mass. (31 years in one location.)

3-23-16.

WANTED—TO PURCHASE A ONE- or two-tonement house.

High land preferred. Describe, give price, amount of land, distance from high school. No agents. Box 25, Kent's Hill, Maine, 4-6-16.

CASH PAID FOR HIDES, BELTS AND VEAL CALVES.

C. C. BRYANT, Bethel, Maine.

FOR SALE.

The farm known as the E. W. Barker place. Over thirty acres in tillage and ten in pasture; three-fourths mile to R. R. Station and village; two-story house, ten rooms, shed connected; barn, 65 feet by 35 feet, stable connected; buildings in good repair; also wood lot of twenty acres, one and one-half miles from farm that will sell if desired.

P. M. BARKER, Bethel, Maine.

REBUILT ROYAL TYPEWRITER.

FOR SALE—Never used since rebuilding; also gasoline engine, and a fine sulky plow. Agent for Wyandotte Dairy Cleanser, Dover Sanitary Milk Falls and U. S. Separator.

HERMAN MASON, R. F. D. 1, Bethel, Maine.

DR. AUSTIN TENNEY, Oculist.

Practice limited to diseases of the Eye and the fitting of Glasses. Office Corner of Main and Broad Streets, Bethel. Last Saturday of every month. All work warranted.

FOR SALE.

The outside route of the Grand Union Tea Co., together with horses, cart, sled, etc. Will give full particulars to anyone interested.

W. A. DRAGO, Bethel, Maine.

Now is the Time

to have your shoes repaired. I have ONE of the best shoe and rubber repairers in the State of Maine.

My prices for ordinary work are as follows: Men's nailed taps, 50c; Ladies' nailed taps, 40c; Men's sewed taps, 50c; Ladies' sewed taps, 50c. A pair of good standard rubber heels put on, 35c.

All other kinds and grades of repair work done in a finished and pleasing manner. Special prepared blacking to change russet shoes to black.

Make your shoes waterproof with DRY-FOOT. 25c cans for 20c at YOUNG'S SHOE STORE. Tel. 14-1.

BLUE STORES

The man who lets Spring catch him
in a weather-beaten winter's suit, knows
how out of place a last year's bird's
nest must feel in a budding tree.

The first of the clothing world's Spring productions
await you here—just arrived from

A. B. KIRSCHBAUM CO.

Fabrics all wool, with the qualities which only all wool can impart.
Workmanship as good as skill and conscientiousness can put into a garment.
Prices which assure you the utmost in value and yet which show a consider-
able regard for the feelings of your pocket-book—

\$15, \$20 and \$22.

F. H. NOYES CO.

NORWAY

SOUTH PARIS

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Odeon Hall, Bethel, Maine

MONDAY EVE, APRIL 24

Elaborate Decorations

Tinker's Famous Singing Orchestra

ALL NEW PERFORMERS

HIGH-CLASS VAUDEVILLE, 7:30 to 9 DANCING, 9 to 1

Big Event of the Season

Have Your Job Printing Done
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\$20 In Gold Given Away

\$5 in gold on the 15th day of May will be given away to the one re-
ceiving the most votes, and \$5 in gold on the 15th of the three following
months. One vote for every 10c purchase given at 4 stores only. For
particulars inquire of

W. E. BOSSERMAN,
C. K. FOX,

E. H. YOUNG,
E. P. LYON.

BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Our April showers seem to be snow
storms.

Mr. W. J. Upson was in Portland,
Friday.

Mr. Charles Small was at Bryant's
Pond, Saturday.

Mr. Herbert Carter was in Mechanic
Falls, Saturday.

Mrs. John Philbrook was in Norway
one day last week.

Miss Elsie Davis visited relatives in
Norway last week.

Mr. C. K. Fox was a business visitor
in South Paris, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Finney were week
end guests of friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Edwards were in
Portland a few days last week.

The Oxford County W. C. T. U. Con-
vention will meet in Bethel, May 23, 24.

Miss Ethel Randall left Friday for
Beverly, where she will visit relatives.

Miss Arlene Saunders of Portland is
visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.
Collins Morgan.

Mrs. Davis Lovejoy spent Tuesday in
Paris.

W. J. Wheeler of South Paris was
in town, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Young were in
Portland, Thursday and Friday.

Mr. E. S. Kilborn of Portland was a
business visitor in town, Friday.

Mr. P. F. Ripley of So. Paris was a
business visitor in town, Thursday.

Mrs. C. W. Hall and Miss Harriet
Merrill were in Portland, Saturday.

Mr. John Carter came from La
Tuque, Saturday to visit his family.

Mr. Frank Conroy of Minot has been
visiting relatives the past few days.

Miss Grace Chapman of Portland was
a week end guest of Mrs. Frank Flint.

Mr. R. L. Cummings of West Paris
was a business visitor in town, Monday.

Rev. T. C. Chapman went to Rum-
ford, Tuesday, to attend the Maine Con-
ference.

The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs.
Frank Kendall, Thursday afternoon at
three o'clock.

Mrs. Ralph Perkins of So. Paris was
a week end guest of her sister, Mrs.
Frank Bartlett.

Mr. Austin P. Stearns of Paris was
a guest of Mr. E. C. Park and family
one day last week.

Mr. Herman Mason and Mr. Byram
went to West Paris, Saturday, to at-
tend the Corn Club meeting.

Miss Adeline DeCoster of Norway
was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel
Durell a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gates and
son, Lloyd, of Paris were guests of
Mrs. Annie Willey one day last week.

Many people are looking forward to
the dance to be given in Odeon Hall,
Monday, April 24, by Tinker's Orches-
tra.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Furrington have
moved into the E. E. Holt house on
Chapman street, recently purchased by
them.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carter of Boston
returned to Bethel, Friday, and have
opened their home on the Park for the
summer.

Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Cora Stearns
and daughter, Mary, of West Paris
were guests of Miss L. M. Stearns one
day last week.

Miss Miriam Horrick of Boston ar-
rived last Thursday to spend a few
days with her parents, Judge and Mrs.
A. B. Horrick.

The Men's Club will meet at Bethel
Inn, Wednesday evening, April 12. Mr.
E. C. Park will give a paper on "The
Federal Reserve System."

Mr. Carroll Valentine, who has been
spending his vacation with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Valentine, has re-
turned to Dartmouth College.

Mr. Harold Rich, who has been spend-
ing his vacation with his parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Elliott Rich, returned to
Williams College, Wednesday.

Mr. A. E. Morse and family of Shel-
burne, N. H., have moved into their
house on Mechanic street, recently pur-
chased of Mrs. Martha Bartlett.

Thursday the Ladies' Club was the
guest of Mrs. Leon Olney at Bethel Inn.
After an interesting program delicious
refreshments were served and a social
hour enjoyed.

School Supplies

A Full Line of

School Stationery, Pencils, Pens, Crayons, Drawing
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EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR SCHOOL USE.

I have the exclusive sale of the REGAL Tablet formerly
carried by H. S. Pushard. 90 Sheets for 10 Cents.

The New NOBILITY LAWN Gilt Edged Paper or Cards
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Apples, 25c doz.

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Oranges, 35-50c doz.

Lemons, 30c doz.

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Ice Cream constantly on hand.

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GRAIN AND FEED

Lily White Flour

The kind the best cooks use.

GRASS SEED

WOODBURY & PURINGTON,

BETHEL,

MAINE.

Mrs. Sidney Jodrey was in Lewiston,
Saturday.

Harold Taylor went to Sunday River,
Saturday.

The Union met with Mrs. J. C. Bill-
ings, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eames and two
sons from Norway were in Bethel, Mon-
day.

Miss Selma Smith from Newry Cor-
ner visited Mrs. Ralph Young several
days last week.

The Ladies' Club will meet with
Mrs. Mae Godwin, Thursday afternoon
at three o'clock.

Mrs. Walter Powers and Mrs. Harry
Powers and son, Rexford, from Newry
Corner were in Bethel, Tuesday.

Mrs. Gertrude Brown and little son,
Horace, from North Norway visited a
few days at E. H. Smith's the past
week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Barker, who
have been visiting relatives in Mass-
achusetts, were called home by the seri-
ous illness of Mr. Barker's father, Mr.
Nahum Barker.

Evelyn Chandler returned to her
home in Norway, Sunday afternoon to
attend school, the spring vacation of
the High School having closed. The
school began the spring term, Monday.

NEW ENGLAND

Animal Fertilizers

THE BEST FARMS

are the ones where the soil is kept in best condition. New England Animal
Fertilizers will not only keep your soil in prime condition, but they will grow
more and more profitable crops every year. That's because BONE, BLOOD
and MEAT is nature's real treatment for fertile soil.
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THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column
Dedicated to Tired Mothers
as they Join the Home
Circle at Evening Tide.

GOOD HUMOR AT MORNING MEAL
By Madame Vine.

Which is it, a frown or a smile w
your breakfast?

To start the day wrong, with tem-
perament or feelings hurt, leaves a stain
that cuts. If one cannot keep sweet
day through it were better to choose
less inauspicious time for ill hum-
than the breakfast table, when
should be bright and cheerful, if o-
to counteract the tendency to morn-
crossness which most of us feel.

Laziness is most often the cause
bad morning manners. Anything do-
in the family—it is too much trou-
to talk agreeably at breakfast, so Ja-
buries himself in his paper and do-
not speak unless to grumble at the
cooking, and Mary, with straggling
locks, either sulks or nags.

The wife who wishes to be remem-
bered pleasantly through the day is
careful of her morning toilet and her
morning manner as she is to appe-
her best for dinner. If she cannot let
she had better have coffee in her room.

The man who does not wish his wife
to sigh with relief when the door is
closed on him as he starts forth for
the day, will take pains to be agree-
able at the breakfast table.

Never allow children to get into the
habit of whining at breakfast; or
scolding because they will be late for
school. Battered meals are responsible
for much morning misery; it is difficult
to keep good-tempered if a car must
run for, or a black mark is feared.

Set the breakfast hour early enough
so that mad scramble and consequent
ill humor can be avoided; the one who
is late must then pocket his ill hum-
or.

If you think it makes little difference
how you act or look at breakfast, try
coming downstairs singing and happy
some rainy morning when the cook
late and the family dispositions are
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GOOD HUMOR AT MORNING MEAL.

By Madame Vine.

Which is it, a frown or a smile with your breakfast?

To start the day wrong, with temper ruffled or feelings hurt, leaves a sting that cuts. If one cannot keep sweet the day through it were better to choose a less inauspicious time for ill humor than the breakfast table, when all should be bright and cheerful, if only to counteract the tendency to morning crossness which most of us feel.

Laziness is most often the cause of bad morning manners. Anything does in the family—it is too much trouble to talk agreeably at breakfast, so Jack buries himself in his paper and does not speak unless to grumble at the cooking, and Mary, with straggling locks, either sulks or nags.

The wife who wishes to be remembered pleasantly through the day is as careful of her morning toilet and her morning manner as she is to appear her best for dinner. If she cannot be, she had better have coffee in her room.

The man who does not wish his wife to sigh with relief when the door has closed on him as he starts forth for the day, will take pains to be agreeable at the breakfast table.

Never allow children to get into the habit of whining at breakfast; or of scolding because they will be late to school. Belated meals are responsible for much morning misery; it is difficult to keep good-tempered if a car must be run for, or a black mark is feared.

Set the breakfast hour early enough so that mad scramble and consequent ill humor can be avoided; the one who is late must then pocket his ill humor.

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Mrs. Winfield S. Ingersoll of Winthrop is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Maurice J. Howes, and family, and other relatives in town.

The Universalist Circle was pleasantly entertained Thursday at the home of Mrs. Lillian Dresser. The next meeting will be at the vestry when a public supper will be served.

Mrs. Prescott Bosworth of Hartford, who has been ill, is recovering.

Mrs. Hattie Gilbert of Calais has been a guest of her aunt, Miss Agnes Heald.

Mrs. S. C. Hodge has been quite ill.

Mrs. E. B. Woodward has recovered from her recent illness.

The remains of Ezekiah H. McLaughlin of Boston were brought to Canton, Wednesday and buried in the cemetery in Dixfield, a few miles above Canton Point. Mr. McLaughlin was born in Dixfield in 1841. His parents were Phineas and Sarah McLaughlin, who reared a large family of children, only one of whom is living, Mrs. Sarah White of Dixfield, who is 92 years of age. Mr. McLaughlin married Miss Emma Dunn, who passed away five years ago. He carried on a large business in Boston, as contractor and builder. He passed away quite suddenly, being ill but a few hours. He was much interested in Masonry and was a Knight Templar and a Shriner. A Masonic funeral was held in Boston. He was also an honored member of the Odd Fellows.

B. N. Standley remains very poorly.

Miss Ethel W. Russell returned to her school in Auburn, Saturday.

Ellie Sampson and family have moved from Gilbertville to the farm in Hartford known as the Robert Bates farm.

Mrs. Chas. Merrow and son and Miss Dyke of Livermore Falls have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray K. Merrow.

Mrs. Joanna Mitchell is ill with pneumonia. Miss Brooks, a nurse from Portland, is caring for her. Her daughter, Miss Flora Mitchell, who returned to Portland, has been called back by her mother's serious condition.

Miss Nina Russell has returned to Portland.

Harold Jenkins of Norway has been spending his vacation with his aunt, Mrs. Flora York, and family.

George Grover has returned home from Portland.

Mrs. Sarah Tasker of Exeter, N. H., is spending a few weeks at her residence at Gilbertville.

Mrs. Edith Gilbert of Billerica has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Clyde Bleknell, and family.

Mrs. Mitchell of Auburn is visiting Mrs. W. Ellery Dresser.

Mrs. Evelyn Dunn is a guest of her

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cost of the puppy's careless habits and over his abnormal appetite. But she wisely said nothing more. The pup continued his happy career for using Mr. B's belongings for playthings. Mr. B began to look at him with murderous eye. He was seen to kick the dog when he got in the way. At the end of two weeks the pup disappeared. Mr. B is perfectly satisfied and content not to have a dog. Indeed, say "Dog" to him and you will get an expression of opinion before which his wife pales. But Mr. A still longs for a dog and is quite sure he could manage one.

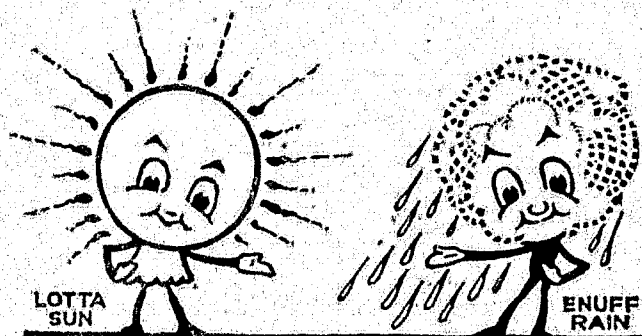
When two people come to live together in the close relationship of marriage, there should be a give and take on each side. One should not always relinquish. This is the right and true way to manage. It is the loving way. But if the wife feels that a husband must be managed, let her do it diplomatically that the peace of the home is not disturbed. If she is thoughtful and clever enough she can do it and the dove of peace will never be frightened from the home by family jars.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1916.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

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onstrated by the attitude of Congress toward the movement which has been boomed with brass bands, cannon, oratory and gaudy editorial utterances, intended to stampede the country in the interests of a huge military policy. Most people who have done serious thinking over the matter, have decried their own ideas as to how far a peaceful Republic that has no desire to conquer other nations, should go in the way of "preparedness." The results seem to indicate that there will be a small increase in the army and that military training of some sort will receive federal encouragement. Increased appropriations by our Navy also seem probable. But those gentlemen who had it in mind that they were going to put Uncle Sam in pawn with armament and ammunition manufacturers, and the steel interests, have missed their bet.

RESTRICTING IMMIGRATION.

Restricted immigration is like the ghost in the tale—it always comes back. Presidents have vetoed the bills enacted by Congress, establishing the literacy test and restricting immigration, but that never has prevented new bills coming before later Congresses. The present bill has many sensible provisions; but it is distasteful to the Japanese Government inasmuch as it practically restricts people from that country coming to the United States. The Japanese have, of their own accord, prevented their citizens from immigrating to this country, and there is no danger that they will raise the bar. California Congressmen say that the Japanese have been in absolute control of immigration, and admit that they have kept faith with the United States. However there seem to be some people about Washington who are never content unless they are stirring up the Japanese situation. This feature of the immigration bill has attracted a great deal of attention.

"EXPUNGED FROM THE RECORDS."

Washington has recently had two very clear illustrations of the strangulation of free speech. In one instance Mr. Allen Benson, nominee of the Socialists for the presidency made a statement before a Committee of Congress, and he was warned by the chairman that his remarks were distasteful. Thereupon Mr. Benson made a little speech about the way they do things in Russia, and asked the Committee whether it was doing business upon the Russian plan. Thereupon the Committee "expunged" Benson's remarks from the records; which from an official standpoint left what he had said just as though it never had been uttered. The inconsistency of the action is shown in the fact that the press of the country gave more space to Benson's statements than to any other event of the sessions of the Committee. Another more recent case was that where in "Cyclops" Davis inserted in the Congressional Record what was characterized as "vituperative and denunciatory" speech. It was red hot stuff, and was carried quite generally by the press. And yet it was "expunged." The process of striking from the records is rather neutral in its operation, as all the damage is done before the expunging process occurs. It takes more than a motion to "strike out" to get a social reformer like Benson or "Cyclops" Davis out of commission.

THE RETURN OF TIMOBOR.

The Republicans in the National Capital have very closely observed the nature of the comment that has appeared in the public press since the return of Colonel Roosevelt from southern waters. Conservative old Republican declares that they would rather be

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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hanged than have Colonel Roosevelt nominated; and the Roosevelt shouters insist that there is no way of winning without "Teddy." The suggestion of his name always starts an argument—and the Democrats who are in office want to stay there through the continuance of President Wilson's leadership, are the only ones who have any fun out of the dissension.

AVOID SPRING COLDS

Sudden changes, high winds, shifting seasons cause colds and grippe, and these spring colds are annoying and dangerous and are likely to turn into a chronic summer cough. In such cases take a treatment of Dr. King's New Discovery, a pleasant Laxative Tar Syrup. It soothes the cough, checks the cold and helps break up an attack of grippe. It's already prepared, no mixing or fussing. Just ask your druggist for a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery. Tested and tried for over 40 years.

THE FLAG WHEN AND HOW.

Certain Laws Govern the Time When It Should Fly and Method.

The children are taught today to reverence the flag as never before and older people are learning as well to show the outward marks of respect but to many the question of when it is proper to fly the flag and how is unsettled. The Daughters of the American Revolution with this in mind have made the following suggestions:

Flag days are Washington's Birthday, February 22; Battle of Lexington, April 19; Flag Day, June 14; Bunker Hill Day, June 17; Independence Day, July 4; Evacuation Day, November 25.

Under no circumstances, either in raising or lowering a flag, should it be allowed to touch the ground.

Care should always be taken that the union is at the top of the flag. In hanging a flag horizontally from a building the union should be on the side away from the building.

The national flag should be above the state flag when both are displayed from the same staff.

When a flag is displayed at half-staff it should first be raised to the top of the staff and then lowered to the proper position which is half-way between the top and the middle of the staff—literally at three-quarters-staff.

A flag displayed at half-staff as a mark of respect should be returned to the top of the staff at the conclusion of the funeral services of the person thus honored.

For Memorial Day flags should be at half-staff from sunrise until noon. At noon they should be raised to the top of the staff and remain there until sunset.

Flags should not be allowed to remain flying at night.

The law of the State of Maine, (Revised Statutes Chap. 118, Sec. 5) says:

Whoever in any manner, for exhibition or display, places or causes to be placed any inscription, device, advertisement or notice whatever upon any flag, standard, color or ensign of the United States or state flag of this state, or displays or exhibits or causes to be displayed or exhibited any flag, standard, color or ensign of the United States or flag of this state upon which shall in any manner be placed or affixed any inscription, device, advertisement or notice whatever, or attaches to or represents upon any goods, wares or merchandise, any imitation or representation of the national flag of the United States, or uses any imitation or representation of the national flag of the United States for advertising purposes or in any manner mutilates, tramples upon or otherwise defaces or defiles any of said flags, standards, colors or ensigns, whether they are public or private property, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five, nor more than fifty dollars. Provided, however, that flags, standards, colors or ensigns, the property of or used in the service of the United States, or of this state, may have inscriptions, names of actions, words, marks or symbols, placed thereon pursuant to law or authorized regulations; and that associations organized by men who have served in the army or navy of the United States may place appropriate inscriptions upon flags borne by them or used for memorial purposes, and duly appointed and accredited committees of political parties, may during the campaign preceding any election for president or vice president of the United States, attach the names of their respective candidates to the flag.

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GILEAD.

Fred Wheeler of Berlin, N. H., was a recent visitor in town.

Mr. J. J. Robertson was in Berlin, N. H., recently.

Several members of Mountain View Grange attended Pomona Grange at Bethel last week Tuesday.

John Richardson was in Gorham, N. H., last Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Lovejoy have gone to Melrose, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greene and James Fagan of Berlin, N. H., were week end guests of their mother, Mrs. Mary Fagan.

Mrs. Orman Bennett has gone to Gorham, N. H., to spend the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Eunice Percival.

John LeBretton has finished work at J. E. Richardson's.

Murray Edgar of Berlin, N. H., was in this vicinity, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonzo Defosse are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born April 1st.

Mr. C. C. Quimby went to Rumford last Tuesday, where he has accepted a position with the Duntun Lumber Co.

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Stocks and Bonds,	314,820.33
Cash in Office and Bank,	57,557.71
Interest and Rents,	7,784.77
All other Assets,	2,767.29

Gross Assets, \$409,330.10

Deduct items not admitted, \$600.33

Admitted Assets, \$408,729.77

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 15,200.00
Unearned Premiums,	140,893.78
All other Liabilities,	3,726.38
Surplus over all Liabilities,	296,909.61

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all Persons Interested in Either of the Estates Hereinafter Named:

At a Probate Court for the County of Oxford, on the fifth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Rumford on the second Tuesday of May, A. D. 1916, at 9 of the clock, in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Esme M. Dunn late of Rumford, deceased; petition for the appointment of Merle F. Burgess or some other suitable person as administrator of the estate of said deceased presented by Thomas H. Burgess, brother and creditor.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:
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At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

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Isaac S. Morrill late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Auraneus M. Morrill as executor thereof without bond, presented by said Auraneus M. Morrill, the executor thereon named.

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The largest shipment of paper this week left Rumford was the 750 to 27 carloads, sent by special train from the Oxford Mill last week. The paper is for the leading magazines of the country. The value of the shipment is estimated at \$95,000. This enormous shipment of fine book paper will convey some impression of the business that is being done by the Oxford Paper Company. Rumford has ample reason to feel proud of its leading industry.

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Mrs. Martin L. Griffin is ill at her home on Baldwin Terrace, requiring the services of a trained nurse from Portland.

Mrs. James M. Graves is serving dinners and suppers in the dining room of the Universalist church this week, during the session of the Methodist Conference in this town.

At a regular convocation of Strathglass Commandery, No. 21, Knights Templar, on Friday evening last, a committee consisting of Oliver A. Pettengill, Dana C. York, and Frank M. Taylor was appointed to report at the May meeting on a proper observance of St. John's Day, June 24th. Strathglass Commandery will attend Divine Worship on Easter Sunday at the Baptist church at the regular hour, 10.30 A. M.

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These big, brawny men of the woods know the worth of a strong arm, a steady hand and a true eye. They have keen appetites, and as long as they can eat well and sleep well, they can do a man's work.

But all lumbermen know that a bad stomach or a sick headache can put the strongest of them out of business. Men in the woods cannot be fussy about their food, and too much of the same kind, day after day, is apt to bring on a stomach attack, cause biliousness or a splitting headache. "L. F." Atwood's Medicine is worth its weight in gold to men in the lumber camps. An old-fashioned, simple remedy for the stomach, liver and bowels that quickly puts these organs in good order and keeps them so. Tested by use, for over sixty years.

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Superintendent Elmer L. Lovejoy, of this division of the Maine Central Railroad and Mrs. Lovejoy left on Monday afternoon of this week for a two weeks trip South, planning to go as far as Key West over the Florida East Coast Railway, and will stop a few days in Washington upon their return trip.

Mr. H. W. Shepard, with a party of engineers of the Maine Central railroad, are back in Rumford with their boarding outfit, to continue the valuation survey through to Kennebago, from where they left off last fall at Rumford. They expect to finish the work on this division this season.

The annual business meeting of the District Nursing Association was held at the Business Men's Club Rooms on Wednesday evening of this week at eight o'clock.

HANOVER

A very pleasant evening was spent Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Roberts. Whist was enjoyed by a greater part of the guests.

First prizes were won by Gladys Davis and Eli Stearns; consolation prizes, Mary Richardson and Louis Powers. Refreshments of homemade candy, fancy cookies, cake, doughnuts and cocoa were served.

Mrs. M. A. Holt is entertaining her father from Belfast.

Miss Celia Brown of Rumford is at work for Mrs. Martha Bartlett.

Miss Mary Morse of Upton is to teach in the upper district and is boarding at E. W. Stearns'.

C. P. Saunders and wife and Roy Stearns attended Pomona Grange at Bethel last week, Tuesday.

Use Allen's Foot-Ease. The antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes and used in the foot-bath. If you want rest and comfort for tired, aching, swollen, sweating feet, use Allen's Foot-Ease. It relieves corns and bunions of all pain and prevents blisters, sore and callous spots. Sold everywhere, 25c. Try it to-day. Adv. 3-23-16.

WEST BETHEL

Francis Mills has returned to his work in Jackson, N. H.

Llewellyn Grover has sold his farm to J. D. Uhlman.

E. R. Briggs has sold his place to Ervin Hutehinson. Mr. Briggs will move in May.

Claudia Mills from Portland visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mills, quite recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wakefield stopped in this place one night last of the week on their way to Idaho.

W. D. Mills was in Gorham, N. H., Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Hall from Oxford are visiting at G. D. Morrill's and Dean Martin's.

Orlando Buck passed through this place, Tuesday morning, on his way to press hay for G. D. Morrill at Mason. Violet Morrill is assisting Mrs. J. E. Pike with her house work.

MASON

Deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Melner of Andover, who are visiting Mrs. Melner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Westleigh, are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, Vella Eloise.

Albert Cushman of Hamner was at S. O. Grover's, Wednesday.

Archie Hutehinson of West Bethel visited friends and relatives in town the first of the week.

Horsey Fernald of Springfield, Mass., is visiting at Douglas Cushing's.

John Westleigh's team, which has been away all winter working in the woods, has returned home.

Ralph Cushing, who has been driving Ernest Swicker's team this winter, has finished work and is stopping with his aunt, Mrs. B. Westleigh.

WEST PARIS

The death of David Emmons from heart disease occurred Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock at his home, corner of Church and Main streets. Mr. Emmons' death occurred on his 70th birthday, having been born in Biddeford, April 11, 1846. He was the son of Jacob and Sarah (Shepherd) Emmons. Of the large family to which he belonged a brother, Millard Emmons, and a sister, Mrs. Christiana Emmons, live in the home and two sisters, Phoebe Emmons and Betsy Smith, of Kennebunkport survive him. In 1887 he married Mrs. Emily (Ida) Hawkins of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and they came to West Paris to live. He was a blacksmith by trade and retired from business a few years ago. Mrs. Emmons passed away several years ago. He was a member of West Paris Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Onward Rebekah Lodge. Kind, obliging and with no bad habits it was no wonder that the nobility of his character made for him many friends that will sincerely mourn his passing. The funeral will be held Friday at the Methodist Chapel, Rev. C. H. Young officiating. The orders to which he belonged will attend. The interment will be in West Paris Cemetery.

Mrs. Abner H. Mann and daughter, Mary Edwina, were guests of Mr. Mann's mother, Mrs. Emma H. Mann at Norway, Wednesday.

Mrs. Dwight A. Ball will leave tomorrow for a three or four weeks stay in New York, accompanied by her brother's wife, Mrs. John Wadsworth, of Skowhegan.

The Uta Kolah Group of Camp Fire Girls will hold a sale, entertainment and social at Centennial Hall, Wednesday afternoon and evening, April 19. The Chapman Sisters, with Miss Margaret of Portland, accompanist, will furnish 8 numbers of the program, assisted by local talent. Sale begins at 3 o'clock. Social after entertainment. Entertainment at 8 o'clock. Ice cream on sale. Admission to entertainment, adults, 20 cents; children under 12, 10 cents. The sale consists of fancy work, food, candy, etc.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Miss Irene Briggs returned home, Sunday, after spending a few days at Grover Hill with relatives.

Friends and neighbors gathered at the church at Hunt's Corner last Wednesday afternoon to pay their last respects to Mrs. Fredland Bird, who lived so many years in this town, but the past few years has been spent with her daughter, who has so kindly cared for her. The remains were brought from Connecticut to be placed in the family lot.

Miss Irene Briggs attended Pomona Grange at Bethel last week.

Lester Swan of Greenwood visited at his uncle's, G. W. Briggs', Saturday.

GROVER HILL.

Sunday was an unusually stormy, rough day, and this (Monday) morning sleighs are again in evidence.

Mr. Evander B. Whitman arrived home Thursday, April 6, after a two weeks' absence.

Miss Nina Briggs was the week end guest of her aunt, Mrs. Eva McAllister. Alton and Ervin Hutehinson have been making maple syrup, as also has Mr. Richard Hapgood and son at the Lyon homestead.

Mr. S. O. Grover of Mason was a week end guest of his brother George and Albert Grover.

Mrs. A. L. Whitman has been quite ill the past week.

Mr. Richard Hapgood's son commenced work Monday morning for Mr. M. F. Tyler.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Henry Learned was in this place, Sunday.

Mrs. Dennis Kilgore is spending a few days with Mrs. B. C. Parker.

Doll Stearns is quite ill at this writing.

L. U. Bartlett went to Keelabum with a load of supplies for the Berlin Mills Co., recently.

J. A. Spinney had the misfortune of hurting his foot quite badly while working for Foster & Eames.

C. A. Baker started his mill Monday. Willie Powers is working for C. A. Baker.

Charles Frost was in this place, Saturday.

Wm. Gorman was called to Bryant's Pond by the illness of his brother one day recently.

Lillian Bean spent Sunday at home.

ANDOVER

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Mills returned Saturday from a trip to Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clough are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Tuesday, April 4th.

Y. A. Thurston was in Augusta, Monday.

Mrs. J. E. Akers and daughter, Annie, are spending a few days in Lewiston.

Millet Lombard is working in the mill for G. A. Rand.

J. H. Abbott is building a store on his land recently purchased of W. G. Cushman.

Mrs. Malvina Bedell and daughter, Mrs. Y. A. Thurston, left town Monday for a visit with friends in Boston.

Born April 5th, to the wife of Frank Learned a son.

Miss Rena Learned is at home from Hotel Milton, where she has been employed as table girl.

Mr. Hollis Ellingwood has moved his family into Lester Poor's rent.

Archer Poor and family have moved into R. A. Grover's house.

Chas. Roberts returned from Kent's Hill, Saturday.

Evelyn Smith substituted in the So. Andover school a few days last week.

The teacher, Mrs. Fred Grover, being called home by the death of her sister, Mrs. Maude Howe Taylor.

Fred Smith, who has been visiting friends in Pennsylvania, returned home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Meisner are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter at the home of her parents in Mason, Me.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club held their last meeting, Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Sweet. The gentlemen entertained in honor of the ladies. The prizes were won by Mrs. C. A. Rand and Olney Sweet, and Wm. Gregg and Mrs. Frank Thomas. Following is the menu of the banquet:

Grape Fruit
Margarine Cherries
Clear Consomme in Cups
Queen Olives
Celery
Parker House Rolls
Roast Young Vermont Turkey
Cranberry Sauce
Creamed Onions
Hubbard Squash
Vanilla Ice Cream Chocolate Ice Cream
Lady Fingers
Macaroons
Saltines
McLaren's Cheese
Coffee

Elmer Clough hauled a load of household goods to Leeds last week for R. A. Grover.

EAST SUMMER.

Union Grange, East Summer, held its regular meeting, April 5, with a good attendance considering the travelling. On John H. Robinson's 78th birthday the Grange presented him with a past master's jewel. Mr. Robinson is a charter member, only one other living, Mrs. Eunice Foster. This Grange has been organized over forty years.

Herbert Harlow is still in poor health and unable to do any hard work.

Mrs. J. H. Bonney and son spent the week end in Auburn, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Keene.

Friends here of Philip Tucker are sorry to hear of his long illness in New Haven, Conn.

W. L. Bryant is doing carpenter work for Paul Stephens.

Frank Steison is having many improvements made on the place which he purchased of Mrs. Phila Bosworth.

Mr. Smith, who has lived in Elroy, Russell's rent through the winter, has moved back to Turner.

A. B. Barrows is in town working at his trade of painting, whitewashing and paper hanging.

Kather Eastman is teaching in Poland.

Augusta Eastman is assisting Mrs. Geo. Brown in Hartford.

Schools in town will open April 17, with the following teachers: Bonney, Mrs. Alice Turner; E. Sumner, Mariel Palmer; Hill, Roger Eastman; West, Sumner, Dot Heald; Duble, Tena Bonney; Pleasant Pond, Marian Verrill; Redding, Angie Howe; Morrill, not assigned.

Mrs. Eliza Blaboe is very feeble. Her daughter, Mrs. C. S. Osgood, came to see her recently.

A regular blizzard struck this town, Sunday morning. There was no meeting at the churches.

Rev. F. M. Lamb has been in Massachusetts seven weeks, conducting the singing in evangelistic meetings. He is expected home April 16th.

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CHAMPION HEN.

Barred Plymouth Rock at the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station Still Continues Wonderful Performance.

The Barred Plymouth Rock No. 414 M which made such a wonderful performance record at the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station in her pullet year has begun laying again in her second year and bids fair to make a record which will equal, and possibly surpass that of her pullet year. As the record stands now, the bird is the highest laying hen of the Barred Plymouth Rock breed that has yet been produced. When it is remembered that it was only a dozen years ago that a record of 200 eggs in a year was thought wonderful, the people of Maine may well be proud of the fact that there has been produced within their State a hen capable of laying 208 eggs in 12 months. Such an achievement shows in a concrete way the practical value of investigations regarding the principles of breeding.

This remarkable bird No. 414 M was hatched on May 12, 1914. By many poultrymen this would be considered a late date of hatching. The notion prevails quite widely that unless a bird is hatched in March or April it will never make a great layer. How erroneous this view is is shown by the performance of the bird here under discussion. Hatched on May 12, she laid her first egg on November 4, 1914. She was then 175 days old when she laid her first egg, or just under 6 months. In the month of November, 1914, she laid 11 eggs. She was evidently at this time trying out her paces and getting into proper condition for an extended record. On the first day of December she began the pace which she maintained to the end of the year. During the month of December she laid 28 eggs, in January 29, in February 25, in March 20, in April 27, in May 25, in June 22, in July 31, in August 29, in September 24, in October 20, making a total of 298 eggs in the year. The longest continuous periods during which the bird laid an egg every day were from December 19 to January 19, or 32 days; from March 11 to April 15 inclusive, a period of 35 days; from July 1 to August 10 inclusive, a period of 43 days. It is obvious that during this year when 298 eggs were laid this hen could not have spent a good deal of time being broody. As a matter of fact, she was broody but once during the year. She showed signs of broodiness on June 14, and was put in a coop by herself in the ordinary way that broody hens are treated at the Maine Station. Under these circumstances she very quickly changed her mind about wanting to sit and on June 20, six days from the time when she first showed signs of broodiness, she began laying again. This is the only time she has ever been broody in her life.

The last egg of the pullet year was laid October 23, 1915. By November 9 she was well started in moult. She rested nearly three months beginning laying again on the 30th day of January 1916. She immediately started in at her old pace, laying 3 eggs in the month of February, 1916. This is only two eggs short of her performance during the corresponding month of her pullet year, when she laid 23 eggs. She

is continuing to lay now at the rate of about 6 eggs per week.

In no respect is this bird a freak. She is simply the result of well planned and carefully executed breeding. She is trim and smart in appearance, of good size, weighing 6.7 lbs. at the end of her pullet year's laying. This is unusually heavy for brood-laying Barred Plymouth Rocks. There is nothing in her external appearance, shape or body or type which would mark her out from any one of hundreds of other birds on the poultry plant of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. She has three sisters on the plant, all of which fall in the 200 egg or better class. No one of the sisters, however, equalled the record of 414 M.

Regarding the breeding of this bird, it may be said that she came from very high laying ancestry. The record of her dam was 210 eggs in a year. The average production of her two grand-dams was 212 eggs in a year. If we go still farther back the same thing is found. The average production for one year of her four great-grand dams was 194 eggs. It thus is evident that there is concentrated in the blood of this hen high laying qualities for generations back. This wonderful performer, 414 M, is not inbred at all in the ordinary acceptance of the term "inbreeding." She represents the bringing together of a number of different blood lines, each one of which has been highly bred for egg producing ability.

At the present time this bird is bred in the mating pens at the Station poultry plant to a cockerel of quite as remarkable qualities as she herself shows. This cockerel, No. 160, weighed 9 lbs. when 9 months of age. This is a remarkably high weight for a Barred Plymouth Rock at that age and indicates the constitutional vigor and vitality which he possesses. His dam, 63 M, laid 247 eggs in her pullet year. The average performance during the pullet year of the two grand-dams of this cockerel was 191 eggs, and the average production during the pullet year of his four great-grand-dams was 195 eggs. This cockerel is only very distantly related to 414 M so that the offspring from this mating will not be inbred at all. They should combine in a high degree the most desirable qualities of utility poultry, namely high constitutional vigor, good size, and tremendous laying ability. Cockerels from this mating should be extremely valuable in grading up flocks of ordinary layers.

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LICE.

Poultry's Dreaded Foe.

By G. E. Conkey.

At any time of the year lice of one kind or another are the cause of no little annoyance to the poultry keeper, but during the spring season the lice question should be given more particular attention, for with a little work of the right kind at this time you can, with little difficulty keep these pests under control. In fact the one big issue with lice is premeditation—keeping ahead of them—and any failure to heed this warning is sure to prove costly both in labor to the poultryman and loss in his stock and products. You can't let things just run along and take their own course, trusting to luck. Lice will surely get a foothold and you'll pay dearly for your carelessness.

The word "lice" explains the cause of much disease, many poor egg records and a great loss among the young chicks. If a fowl is not doing well, and is in any respect below standard, or if chicks get droopy, a good practice is to first LOOK FOR LICE.

Many people maintain that lice can spring spontaneously from filth alone. This is not true. Lice can generate only from parent stock and these, in some manner, must be introduced into a flock before lice can be present. The ways of introduction, however, are so numerous that it is almost universally true that where the fowl is, there also will be found the lice.

THREE CLASSES OF LICE.

There are many kinds of lice that attack the domestic fowl but to enter into a technical description giving their nature, habits, and classifications would be a waste of time from a practical standpoint. For our purpose we can consider them under three classes, as their habits run in three directions, and different methods must be employed in eradicating them. No one preparation is practical in exterminating the three different kinds. The classes are Body Lice; Head Lice; and Mites.

BODY LICE.

Body lice are found on all parts of the fowl's body, but mostly among the fluffy feathers below the vent. They remain on the fowl's body and there multiply at an estimated rate of over 100,000 lice from one female and offspring in eight weeks. Body lice do not suck the fowl's blood, but live on the meat of the feathers. They attack the areas of the skin and cause extreme irritation and constant annoyance to the birds.

Dusting fowls with a prepared lice powder is a common method of fighting body lice, but to eliminate them entirely, two applications about a week apart are required. This powder first applied will not kill the eggs attached to the feathers, so the young that hatch after the first dusting must be destroyed later, and before they are old enough to breed. In dusting, be thorough. Dusting the setting house two or three times insures their comfort and leaves no

body lice to bother the chicks. Recently a lice ointment more lasting and more agreeable to handle than the powder, has been coming into general use for body lice. It is easy to apply and is used sparingly and only about certain parts of the bird. A good ointment is an effective lice chaser.

HEAD LICE.

Head lice are true blood suckers, with long bills to puncture the skin of their victim and the blood vessels underneath. They locate only about the head and neck of older birds, but when numerous they will attack other parts of small chicks than the head. Head hatched chicks are troubled more with head lice since these leave the head of the mother hen for that of the chick soon after the chicks hatch. They quickly sap the life of the young chick and it is safe to say that a large percentage of loss among young stock can be traced to head lice alone.

As the first point of attack, the best precaution is to apply a suitable preparation to the chick's head shortly after hatching. Repeat this within a week and after that watch the chicks closely and renew applications as often as required. Ointments alone are effective for head lice but only a small amount can be applied to a chick at a time without injuring or even causing death. This means chicks must be handled several times when the lice become so numerous that they attack other parts than the head. So keep ahead of the lice. Remember they multiply very rapidly.

MITES.

Unlike body lice, mites are found on the fowl chiefly at night. During the day they hide in the cracks and crevices of the roosts, dropping boards, wall of the house, nests, in fact any place where they can conceal themselves. A favorite spot is where the roost joins the side of the building and this is usually where they are first noticed in the house. You may see an accumulation there which has every appearance of a handful of dust. Examine it closely and you'll find it mites and in a mass of living organisms—a countless body of mites waiting for roosting time. What a reception for the flock to have this army of mites quickly spread themselves over their body to bite or bore through the skin, suck their blood, deprive them of their rest, and drain the best of their vitality.

Fowls troubled with mites show a decided restlessness; they become thin in flesh; face and comb get pale; setting hens leave the nest frequently, or may forsake them as they grow sick and are forced to give up in self-defense. Little chicks will get droopy, show bowels trouble and gradually drop off. It is almost impossible to name all the symptoms or the ill effects that will follow the ravages of mites.

Yet mites can be kept away from birds entirely and no poultryman would be considered successful who allows his houses to become infested with such vermin. Frequent use of lice liquids, disinfectants, and other solutions in-

played in killing lice will prevent the mites from getting a start and there is no excuse for allowing them to stay. Watch closely in hot weather but continue the work of prevention with regularity the year round if you want to get real results.

In attacking mites, first clean up and remove all filth from or about the poultry house. Make the quarters sanitary, take out all litter and burn it, remove the roosts, nest boxes, and all apparatus attached to the walls, as far as possible, so that the house can be thoroughly cleaned. Spray with a good liquid lice exterminator. Make the job thorough. Don't leave a crack or crevice that is not thoroughly soaked with the preparation. Do the work sufficiently early in the day so that the fumes will not be too strong at roosting time and the house will dry out. After one or two good applications of this kind the mites will be pretty well under control. The liquid can then be used chiefly about the roosts and nests but there must be no let-up in the work and the idea is to keep right after them until you get the very last one. Mix in a little disinfectant when whitewash is used.

Our last word is "Keep ahead of the lice."

EAST BETHEL.

Mr. Edgar Swan has gone to Massachusetts, where he has work.

Mrs. J. H. Swan is the guest of relatives in Worcester, Mass.

Miss Jennie Rich, who has been caring for her aunt, Mrs. A. M. Dean, has returned to Philadelphia.

Mr. Francis Mills of West Bethel was last week's guest of Mr. H. E. Bartlett and family.

Mrs. H. E. Bartlett has returned from a visit with relatives in Lowell and Cambridge, Mass.

O. P. Brown, Sumner Magill, Ceylon Kimball and others are making maple syrup.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Farwell are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born April 5. Mrs. Wm. Farwell is caring for Mrs. Farwell and son, also her mother, Mrs. Emma Nutting, of Bethel, Me., is with her.

DO YOU KNOW THAT

Saga in roof-gutters may act as mosquito breeding places? America's most valuable crop is barley? The public cigar-eater is a health menace? The United States Public Health Service maintains a loan library of stereoscopic slides? The typhoid rate measures accurately community intelligence? Whooping cough annually kills over ten thousand Americans? Bad housing produces bad health? Rock Mountain spotted fever is spread by a wood tick? Is not the cook who prepares a good dinner greater than the man who makes the after dinner speech?

GRANGE NOTES.

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and girls, after which a boys' corn club was organized with the following officers: Harold Perham, President; Earl Hollis, Vice President; Morris Ellingwood, Secretary; Russell Briggs, Treasurer. Quite a number of boys joined the club. Mr. Mitchell then gave a talk on growing sweet corn. The poultry program which was to have been given this meeting will be given at the next meeting which will be April 22. The following question will be discussed and put to vote: "Resolved, That the brothers have proved themselves so proficient in the culinary art that they should hereafter take their turn in preparing the dinners." Affirmative, Mrs. Churchill, Mrs. Lurvey, Mrs. Mann; Negative, Mr. Grover, Mr. Welch, Mr. Ball. G. A. Yeaton is to give an illustrated lecture on "Orcharding," Friday evening, April 21, under the auspices of the Grange.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE.

Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 136, West Bethel, held its regular meeting, Tuesday evening, April 11. There were twenty members present, on account of the bad roads and the river it makes it bad. Officers present: Steward, Chaplain, Flora, Cora and Pamela. The Lecturer gave the question: "Which is the most profitable crop for the farmer to raise, sweet corn or potatoes?" Discussed by a number of members.

Reading, Len Sumner
Reading, F. I. Bean
The literary program for the next meeting to be in the hands of the Brothers.

RADIUM NEVER SEEN IN NATURE.

Radium is a metal and is described as having a white metallic luster. It has been isolated only once or twice and few people have seen it. Radium is ordinarily obtained from its ores in the form of hydrous sulphate, chloride, or bromide, and it is in the form of these salts that it is usually sold and used. These are all white or nearly white substances, whose appearance is no more remarkable than common salt or baking powder. Radium is found in nature in such exceedingly small quantities that it is never visible even when the material is examined with a microscope. Ordinarily radium ore carries only a small fraction of a grain per ton of material and radium will never be found in large quantity because it is formed by the decay of uranium, a process which is wonderfully slow, and radium itself decays and changes to other elements so rapidly that it is impossible for it to accumulate naturally in visible masses. Minerals that carry radium, however, are fairly easy to determine. One of them, pitchblende, as generally found, is a black mineral about as heavy as ordinary iron, but much softer. The principal radium mineral, carnotite, has a bright canary-yellow color, and is generally powdery. There are other radium-bearing minerals of less importance.

"Strange," said the drat tramp meditatively, "how few of our youthful dreams ever come true!"
"Oh, I dunno," said his companion; "I remember when I used to dream about wearin' long pants, and now I guess I wear 'em longer than any one else in the country."—Ladies' Home Journal.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mrs. Elmon Jordan was in Portland last week.

Mr. Will C. Stearns of Paris was a guest of Mrs. E. C. Park and family one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Pushard and son, Kings, are visiting Mr. Pushard's parents at Wiscasset, Me.

Miss Ruby Smith of Gorham, N. H., spent her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albra Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kendall were week end guests of their daughter, Mrs. Walter King, at West Paris.

Mr. Nathan Stearns of Auburn was a guest of his sister, Miss Lizzie Stearns, the first of the week.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Simonton of Falmouth Foreside and Mrs. Wyman of Auburn are guests of Mrs. B. F. Fick-ett.

Mrs. L. L. Pennock from North Waterford came to Bethel, Saturday, and will visit her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Taylor, for several weeks.

Miss Mabel York of Portland, Miss Bessie York and Mrs. Julius Stahl of Berlin were guests of Miss Annie Hamlin, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamlin of Berlin, N. H., and Mr. Frank Hamlin of Warren, Vt., were guests of Miss Annie Hamlin the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John V. Holt of Andover, Mass., came to Bethel, Friday evening to visit Mrs. Holt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Dunnington, and her sister, Miss Belle Dunnington, and returned to their home, Sunday morning.

Lynwood Axel Wilson and Harold Gilman Bennett have joined Troop 2, 21st Scouts, and Edmond Chapman, Jr., Edward Hanson, Theodore Baker, Arthur Dudley and Elmer Bennett have passed up from tender-foot to second class Scouts.

Miss Bessie York of Berlin, assisted by Mr. Harlan Howard, gave a pleasing exhibition of the new dances at Odeon Hall, Tuesday evening. This marked the close of Miss York's dancing school and a social dance was afterwards enjoyed with music by McGill's orchestra of Berlin.

The many friends of Mrs. Ada Twitchell Wight of Berlin will be sorry to hear that four of the family have been to a hospital since last October; the last being Miss Mollie, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis and went to the Berlin hospital and has just returned to her home and making good recovery.

Mrs. Emma Bird Stackpole of Providence, R. I., was calling upon friends last week. She, with her brothers came to Bethel with the remains of her mother, whose funeral was held at Hunt's Corner, Albany, last Wednesday; the burial was in the family lot. Mrs. Bird had been a most devoted mother and in truth her children can rise up and call her blessed.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler was in Auburn, Saturday, to attend the wedding of her granddaughter, Miss Ildis Chandler, who was united in marriage to Mr. Raymond W. Ferguson of Lewiston. The ceremony was performed at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred F. Chandler. Rev. Herbert Woodin, pastor of High Street Congregational Church officiated. Only the families of the bride and groom and intimate friends were present. The presents were valuable and many. The couple left for a short trip and will reside in Auburn.

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THE PROGRESSIVE CONVENTION.

Spirit and enthusiasm were not lacking at the Progressive State Convention which opened at City Hall, Bangor, Wednesday afternoon. Musical by the Bangor band gave a touch of defiance and optimism which were frequently evinced during the proceedings. There were exactly 511 delegates in the hall and about 150 spectators in the balcony. The name of Roosevelt was wildly cheered at every mention.

George C. Webber of Auburn was chairman of the convention; and the principal address was delivered by Hon. Victor C. Murdock of Kansas.

The convention decided to send 12 delegates to the national convention, each to have a half vote. The following were elected:

Frank H. Haskell, Portland; Edward M. Lawrence, Lubec; Charles L. Morang, Ellsworth; George C. Webber, Auburn (at large); Charles E. Nason, Gray; Herbert R. Jordan, Saco; Eugene E. Flood, Farmington; Daniel E. Bisbee, Damariscotta; Stanley Grady, Eastport; Charles B. Pineo, Bar Harbor; Walter J. Mayo, Foxcroft; Charles D. Whittier, Passadumkeag.

The presidential electors nominated were:

George C. Woods, Bangor; Lafayette B. Waldron, Dexter (at large); Kenneth W. Sutherland, Saco; Frank C. Knight, Rockland; Roy Henry E. Dunneke, Augusta; and Roland B. Clark, Houlton.

The alternates elected were:

William R. Perkins, Addison; E. B. McAllister, Rockland; E. D. Merrill, Foxcroft; R. L. Cummings, West Paris (at large); Herman S. Gerriah, Portland; Howard Frost, Springvale; William N. Titus, Alna; Thomas Hawkins, Rockland; P. Maynard Thompson, Augusta; Ralph A. Penney, Belfast; Nelson C. Martin, Oakfield; M. J. Brown, Blaine.

The State committee was chosen as follows:

Andros Coggin, James A. Pulsifer, Aroostook, Roland B. Clark, Cumberland, Lewis A. Goudy, Franklin, B. I. Libby, Hancock, C. L. Morang; Kennebec, A. H. Clark, Knox, Frank C. Knight, Lincoln, H. W. McDougall, Oxford, R. L. Cummings; Penobscot, Halbert P. Gardner; Piscataquis, E. D. Merrill; Sagadahoc, R. W. Carleton; Somerset, A. B. Pennell; Waldo, A. P. Goodhue; Washington, S. Q. Grady; York, K. W. Sutherland.

It was also announced that Edward M. Lawrence of Lubec would be the candidate for governor, and George C. Webber of Auburn for United States Senator, though it is doubtless understood that the actual nominations will be made at the primaries.

A resolution was passed favoring state, district and county nominations, but it appeared that not all the delegates had been in favor of such action, there being some sentiment in favor of electing delegates to the national convention and making no state nominations. This sentiment was especially strong in Oxford County.

As a compromise measure the following was presented to the organization by Alton C. Wheeler of South Paris: Resolved, That if the Progressive National Convention and the Republican National Convention at Chicago in June, unite in nominating Col. Theodore Roosevelt, or any other candidate for President, then we favor immediate action to bring about a coalition of the two parties in Maine.

This was not acceptable to the organization, and was not presented on the floor of the convention.

Mr. Wheeler was not present as a delegate, but as a Roosevelt man, having just returned from Oyster Bay, where he with others had been to confer with Col. Roosevelt.

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Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

THE MINIMUM WAGE.

The Nolan bill provides for a minimum wage of \$90 per month for employees of the federal government. Hearings on the bill have developed some startling conditions in the service. Although the standards of living and general wage scales have changed time and again to meet conditions in the business world, many workers employed by Uncle Sam, are on the same basis established five years ago. A grave digger at Arlington cemetery was brought before the Committee, and it was found he has been receiving \$40 per month. On this sum he attempts to support a large family. It develops that this has been providing the last replacement for Generals, Admirals and military heroes to whose memories of the war the government has erected monuments. The investigation also disclosed there are a great many people in Government service for \$720 per year with no probabilities of increase. Considerable pressure is being used to the hopes that Congress will set an example to the rest of the nation, by establishing a minimum wage that provide at least a decent living for most menial employees.

ROOSEVELT AND ROOT.

Former President Roosevelt and Senator Root have resumed former fraternal feeling. A carefully arranged plan resulted in the news that they had "buried hatchet," printed simultaneously in newspapers throughout the country great deal of political significance been attached to the event, but as political observers in Washington that the little dinner party participated in by the Colonel and Mr. Root which Senator Lodge and Major-General Wood were also guests, makes a little story, but the affair is not likely to influence the manner of voting any of the delegates to the Republican Convention.

PRESIDENTIAL HONEYMOON.

During the past few weeks the President's yacht "Mayflower," has been commandeered for frequent trips to the Potomac with the President. Mrs. Wilson on board. This is an entirely new departure in the Presidential habits, as he never has shown any interest in the "Mayflower" heretofore. But likely a President can honeymoon with as much enthusiasm as any other kind of a lover—and there's nothing like a luxurious yacht or steamboat in the ocean world, when it comes that delightful kind of vacationing love's young dream.

CIVIL SERVICE FOR POSTMASTER.

Just before President Taft went to office Republican politicians were sitting on blanketing postmasters in Civil Service. The Democrats objected very strenuously, but now having shed the shoe onto the other foot, present members of the Democratic party are urging action to extend Civil Service so that it will take care of the dear friends who have been selling postage stamps since their appointment by the Wilson Administration.

MANY A HEART IS BREAKING.

The presidential primaries are developing many unexpected things. Here Washington where most of those who have presidential ambitions are residing there is evidence that many a heart is breaking—not "After the Ball," but after the votes are counted.

ROUTES OF WAR NEWS.

We get some of the official reports from Washington from which it appears that the most startling set-backs concerning the British, French and Russian, are contained in the reports from Berlin. Germany's internal troubles are told in reports from London. In like manner the reasons for military activity in Holland are laid to the Germans by the British, and vice versa. Even in our own Mexican mixup the news is distorted beyond recognition since most of the dispatches are from everywhere except points at which authentic information is available. It is no such dependence on most war news is apt to be deceived. War correspondents are all being kept at long arm distances, and when a writer guesses right he is apt to be "deleted" by the censor.

THE PRICE OF GASOLINE.

Washington is firmly convinced that the Standard Oil Company might, if it